

Community Update – Fall/Winter, 2005
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CHIEF OFFICER COMMENTS

As we begin another New Year, our thoughts turn to those of: maintaining quality care, being ever attuned to the needs of our patients and attaining the flexibility needed to adapt to the ever-changing healthcare environment. The present changes in TennCare have not, as yet, presented us with challenges we cannot handle. The recent disaster relief efforts have been managed very well by our community and our facility. Even with all these potential difficult hurdles, we have persevered. As we near our mid-point in the accreditation cycle, our focus on maintaining, if not exceeding standards of care, are ever present in our minds. Thanks to all of our Board Members and dedicated hospital staff for making 2005 a very good year. I look forward to working with you all in 2006.

Bill Ventress, Chief Executive Officer

HUMAN RESOURCES



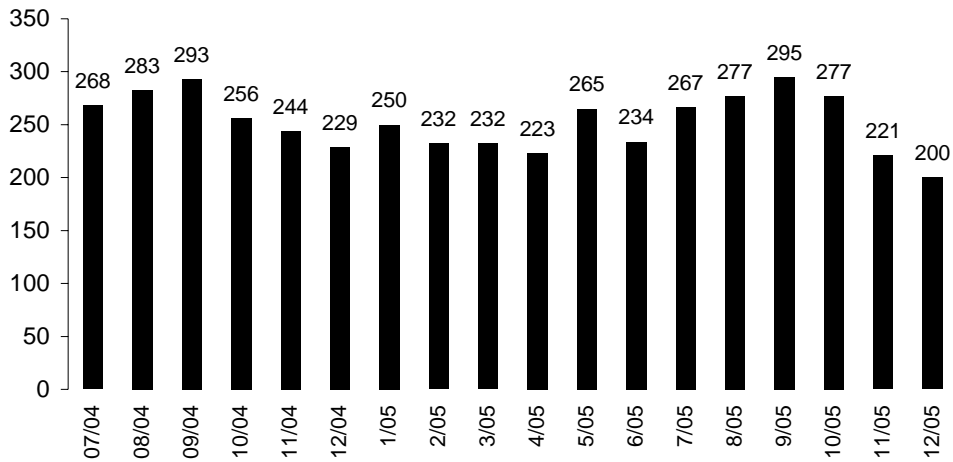
MBMHI's ANNUAL HOLIDAY STAFF PARTY

The annual Holiday Staff Party was held on December 14th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the Gymnasium. Chief Executive Officer William L. Ventress and Human Resource Director Cynthia Honeycutt presented Gloria Thrasher the "2005 Employee of the Year" award. Thomas Sloan, Chief Accountant was presented the "2005 Leadership Excellence Award", and Frankie Culpepper, Psychiatric Technician was presented with the "2005 Chief Executive Officer Award".

INSTITUTE ADMISSIONS AND AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS

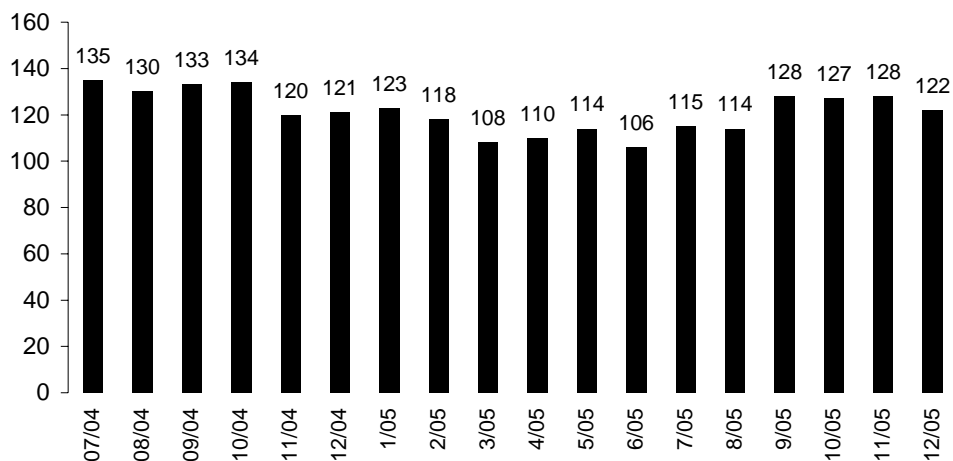
The following graphs illustrate Moccasin Bend's admissions and average daily census for each month of fiscal year 2004-2005. During this period the average admission rate was 381. Our admissions rate has declined during the past few months.

ADMISSIONS



The average daily census was lower than for the previous year. Average length of stay for fiscal year 2004-2005 was 8.8 days for the Acute Care Program.

AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS (Bed Capacity = 172)



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